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## E.C.S. TECHNOLOGIES INC FINED \$5,000

**BARRIE** — E.C.S Technologies has been fined a total of \$5,000, plus a victim fine surcharge (VFS), after pleading guilty to two counts under the Environmental Protection Act (EPA).

E.C.S. Technologies operates a hazardous waste disposal site at 717 Bayview Drive in Barrie, Ontario. The company has a Certificate of Approval (C of A) from MOE that covers the processing and handling of such hazardous waste as photo-processing and graphic arts waste.

The C of A required that ECS submit annual performance reports with summaries of all wastes received, processed and shipped; summaries of any environmental and operational problems with mitigative actions taken; statements as to compliance with its C of A conditions; recommendations to minimize environmental impacts to improve site operations; and a financial assurance review assessment.

The Court heard that in February 2004, a Provincial Officer found that ECS had not submitted annual reports for 2002 and 2003 on time to the right ministry official. The reports did not include some required reportable items.

E.C.S. Technologies Inc pleaded guilty to two counts of failing to comply with a condition of its Provisional C of A contrary to Section 186(3) of the EPA and was fined \$2,500 on each count, plus VFS.

Justice of the Peace Moreland A. Lynn heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice in Barrie, Ontario, on March 28, 2006.

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